S.B. NO. 1039

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this measure is to make the
2	public utilities commission's process of reporting to the
3	legislature more efficient by consolidating reports submitted or
4	a fiscal year basis within the commission's single annual report
. 5	filing made pursuant to section 269-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
6	SECTION 2. Section 269-33, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7	amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:
8	"(c) The public utilities commission shall submit $[\frac{1}{4}]$
9	report to the legislature an update as part of its annual
10	report submitted pursuant to section 269-5 detailing all funds
11	received and all moneys disbursed out of the fund [prior to the
12	convening of each regular session]."
13	SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
14	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
15	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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17	INTRODUCED BY: Some Freudo K.
18	BY REQUEST

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Report Title:

Reporting; Public Utilities Commission

Description:

Consolidates the submission of reports made by the Public Utilities Commission on a fiscal year basis to the Legislature within the Commission's annual report required under section 269-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT:

Budget and Finance

TITLE:

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC

UTILITIES COMMISSION.

PURPOSE:

To consolidate the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission's ("Commission") yearly special fund report to the Legislature within the Commission's annual report made on the same

fiscal year basis.

MEANS:

Amend section 269-33(c), Hawaii Revised

Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION:

This measure will simplify the reporting process for the Commission prior to each legislative session. The Commission is currently responsible for submitting several separate reports on subject matter ranging from the Public Utilities Special Fund to the evaluation of Hawaii's Renewable Portfolio Standards starting in 2013. Consolidating Commission reports that use a fiscal year basis within the Commission's main annual report under section 269-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, would help present pertinent Commission information in one publication and reduce the unnecessary use of Commission resources to compile and distribute multiple related reports.

Impact on the public: The impact on the public will likely be positive. Obtaining Commission information will become more simplified by including related information within a single publication.

Impact on the department and other agencies:
Minimal impact is expected on the
Commission, the Department of Budget and
Finance, or other agencies within the
administration. The Commission must
generate each of the various reports under

this proposal, but this makes the reporting process easier for all interested parties.

New Day Plan Association: This measure supports the fundamental goal of continually improving the functions of government so that the public receives full value. Although a small part of the overall governance of the State, this measure is a no-cost means of helping make government operate more efficiently.

GENERAL FUNDS:

None.

OTHER FUNDS:

None.

PPBS PROGRAM

DESIGNATION:

BUF 901.

OTHER AFFECTED

AGENCIES:

None.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon approval.